



ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

NATIONAL SITUATIONAL REPORT

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KEY POINTS

- RCMP was informed that banks have started to freeze personal and corporate accounts provided under the Emergencies Act measures.
- A secured area has been established in the NCR from Bronson Avenue to the Rideau Canal, and from Highway 417 to Parliament Hill, with almost 100 police checkpoints.
- Tamara LICH and Chris BARBER, two of the main organizers, have been arrested in the evening of 2022-02-17.¹
- Media coverage is focusing on the increased presence of Ottawa Police and other Law Enforcement partners in downtown Ottawa.

Recent Arrests

- Tamara LICH , arrested on 2022-02-17
- Chris BARBER, arrested on 2022-02-17
- Shane MARSHALL, arrested on 2022-02-17

FREEDOM CONVOY FUNDING

- RCMP was informed that banks have started to freeze personal and corporate accounts provided under the Emergencies Act measures.
- The GiveSendGo website appears to be active and accepting donations. To date, it has raised over \$9 million USD.²

POTENTIAL U.S. CONVOYS

- People's Convoy is expected to begin with 1000 vehicles in Barstow, CA and garner more vehicles as it progresses through the United States to Washington, DC.³

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Surrey (Pacific Highway)

- The freedom convoy is reported to be moving through Vancouver the weekend of 2022-02-18/20, departing from different cities for a demonstration at the Canada-United States border.⁴

MANITOBA

- The demonstration at the Manitoba Legislature is ongoing.

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

- As of the morning of 2022-02-17, fences had been set up in front of government buildings including Parliament and the Senate.⁵
- Ottawa police have established a secure zone in downtown Ottawa, with 100 checkpoints to ensure convoy supporters cannot enter the area.⁶
- Police resources continue to deliver notices to the demonstrators to vacate the downtown area.⁷

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- Government of Canada employees are being told to avoid the Ottawa's downtown core, unless for critical support reasons.⁸

NEW BRUNSWICK

- A convoy is anticipated to be in Fredericton this weekend 2022-02-19/20.⁹

NOVA SCOTIA

- Province-wide convoys have been posted online for 2022-02-19.¹⁰

ONTARIO

Sarnia

- s.37

Windsor (Ambassador Bridge)

- Windsor police continue to restrict traffic access to the bridge area, as they are concerned that convoy supporters may return to the bridge.¹³

QUEBEC

- Quebec is reporting that convoy supporters plan to be demonstrating at the Lacolle port of entry located in St.-Bernard-de-Lacolle, QC, a Canada and United States border.¹⁴ A Facebook group named "Freedom Canada" has identified 2022-02-19 as the date for their demonstration at this border crossing.¹⁵
- A 'freedom convoy' is planned for 2022-02-18 to 2022-02-20 in Quebec City.¹⁶

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